



**Financial Assistance
Award**

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Award Number 01049-00

Award Title Construction Careers Pathways Initiative

Performance Period July 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009

Recipient Organization & Address

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 8005 Schoon Street
 Anchorage, AK 99518-

Authority
 112 Stat 1854

CFDA Number
 90.100

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Cost Share Distribution Table

Accounting Code	New Funding		Prior Period Funding		Total
	Denali Commission	Other Contributors	Denali Commission	Other Contributors	
95670000AL	\$250,000.00		\$0.00		\$250,000.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
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		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00

This Financial Assistance Award approved by the Federal Co-Chair of the Denali Commission constitutes an obligation of federal funding.

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Through the High School Construction Career Pathways curriculum, CEF will continue administering for construction related jobs in rural communities and also bring a greater awareness of construction related jobs to rural schools and communities at the high school level.

This program has two components. The first component is to increase and support the number of rural high schools that participate in the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) Core Curriculum and the employability soft skills (Tools for Success). The second component is to assist and support high schools to implement the NCCER's content component.

Signature of Authorized Official - Denali Commission

 Electronically Signed

Typed Name and Title
 George Canelos
 Federal Co-Chair

Date
 11/18/2008

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AWARD CONDITIONS

1. Scope of Work

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NCCER Core Curriculum

This component will target the training the teachers to deliver the NCCER curriculum to the students. Currently there are 41 schools districts sponsored by CEF throughout the state and that are using the NCCER curriculum. The instructors trained with the NCCER instructor certification training program will allow the local school district to receive student curriculum, instructional material and technical support, thereby creating a nationally recognized NCCER certificated construction career pathway.

The trained instructors will have a higher level of vocational education certification as a certified NCCER instructor, and be valuable in the construction trades education in any location providing construction education.

Students completing the core curriculum will receive dual credit with specific campuses at the University of Alaska and some 200 institutions outside of the state if applicable. The core provides the beginning of the training pathway.

CEF will facilitate five trainings to certify 30 teachers who will implement the NCCER core curriculum in their perspective schools.

NCCER Contren Component

The second component is to assist and support high schools in the implementation of the NCCER contren component. The contren curriculum was developed by industry experts and educators, competency-based with measurable outcomes, portable industry-recognized credentials, and modular in format for flexibility and task training. Students will have their progress listed on an internet Automated National Registry (ANR).

CEF's primary area of emphasis is the core curriculum which are the very basic introductory craft skills which serves as the prerequisite for all pathways attainment into Level 1 trades offered by NCCER. It has eight modules (similar to chapters) and is competency based with written and performance tests.

CEF will facilitate the pathway into the construction trades for approximately 500 students statewide. Students completing the core are given an official transcript and a NCCER national registry card.

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2. Milestones

The following milestones are identified as the major steps to be completed as part of the project. "Planned" dates for the first milestone are included here. As part of each progress report, recipients shall update the progress toward meeting these milestones (see section 7, Reporting).

Milestone	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date	Actual Start Date	Actual End Date	Units	Total Cost at Completion
In-Progress	07/01/2008	06/30/2009	mm/dd/yyyy	mm/dd/yyyy	nn	\$
Project Close-out	07/01/2009	10/31/2009	mm/dd/yyyy	mm/dd/yyyy	nn	\$

3. Award Performance Period

The Award performance period is July 1, 2008 through October 31, 2009. This is the period during which Award recipients can incur obligations or costs against this Award.

4. Direct and Indirect Costs

The cost principles of OMB A-122 are applicable to this award. Indirect costs up to 5% are allowable under this Award. Please refer to the cost principles regulations for specific details on other allowable charges under this Award.

5. Budget and Program Revisions

The Administrative Circular, 2 CFR Part 215 (formerly OMB A-110), applies to this Award. Please refer to the Administrative Circular for specific details on revisions to this Award. The Administrative Circular requires that the CEF will inform the Commission in writing (e-mail, letter, or report) at the earliest possible date of any unanticipated project cost overrun, project schedule delays, or changes in the project scope or changed site conditions.

6. Payments

Payments under this Award will be made by electronic transfer in response to a "Request for Advance or Reimbursement", Standard Form 270 (SF-270) submitted by the CEF. Requests for reimbursements may be made as needed or at the end of each quarter but should be submitted no later than 30 days after the federal quarter. The SF-270 must be submitted to the Denali Commission via fax, e-mail (finance@denali.gov) or mail in order for payment to be processed. Please include financial reports that will support the reimbursement along with the SF-270. The form is available on the OMB website: http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/grants/grants_forms.html. Payments shall be made in accordance with 2 CFR Part 215. Please contact the Denali Commission's Finance Specialist at (907) 271-1414 for further information about submitting this form. No interest will be accrued on these funds.

7. Reporting

Two forms of project reporting are required under this Award, listed below. The CEF shall submit reports using the Denali Commission's on-line Project Database System, available at www.denali.gov. If there are technical limitations which may prevent the recipient from meeting this requirement, please contact the Program Manager listed in this agreement.

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a. Progress Reports shall be submitted on a quarterly basis. The first reporting period is July 01, 2008 to December 30, 2008 and quarterly thereafter. Reports are due within 30 days of the end of the reporting period. Progress reports shall include the following:

- i. Total project funding, including both Denali Commission funding and other project funding sources.
- ii. The total project expenditures for the project as of the end of the reporting period, including both Denali Commission and Other funding sources.
- iii. Updated schedule and milestone information as identified in the Scope of Work
- iv. Narrative summary of the project status and accomplishments using Denali Commission Training Program's quarterly report form. A final report will be required upon project completion that provides an accurate number of program completers, modifications to the project, a success story, lessons learned and final photos.
- v. Complete list of training participants per quarter that includes the Management Information System form (MIS) that tracks each participant's employability.
- vi. For other non-construction projects, pictures should be provided of before and after, or photos that are representative of the funded activity, to the extent possible. Photos shall be provided in a digital format as part of the on-line report. A short description of the activity and names of those in the photos shall also be provided.

b. Federal Single Audits shall be submitted annually, when required. In accordance with OMB Circular A-133, which requires [subpart 200] "Non-Federal entities that expend \$500,000 or more in a year in Federal awards shall have a single or program-specific audit conducted for that year in accordance with the provisions of this part [subpart 205]. The determination of when an award is expended should be based on when the activity related to the award occurs."

Recipients shall also submit single audits to the Federal Clearinghouse as designated by OMB. Information can be found on the following web-site: <http://harvester.census.gov/sac/>

8. Project/Award Close-Out

The project close-out report shall be completed within 90 days of the end of the Award performance period or within 90 days of the completion of the project, whichever is earlier. Recipients must also draw down any remaining funds for expenditures incurred under this award during this 90-day period.

The project close-out report shall be submitted on-line through the Denali Commission's on-line Project Database System, available at <http://www.denali.gov/>. The project close out will require the recipient to submit the following information:

- a. Final data for each item listed in paragraph 7(a) "Progress Reports"
- b. Final project expenditures itemized by the following categories: planning & design; materials & equipment; freight; labor; project administration/overhead and other expenses.
- c. Acknowledgement of support: For all non-construction projects, the Award recipient shall include an acknowledgement of the Government's support for the project(s) developed under this Award. The format for acknowledgement of the Government's support for non-construction awards will vary with each award and must be agreed upon between the Award recipient and the Denali Commission Project Manager. Costs associated with this requirement shall be paid out of the project funding received by the

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Award recipient from the Denali Commission.

9. Public Policy Laws and Assurances

Award Recipients are required to comply with the public policy laws and assurances on Standard Forms SF 424b. Some of the laws are highlighted below for your reference.

To the maximum extent practicable, considering applicable laws, Funding Recipients shall accomplish the project contemplated by the Award using local Alaska firms and labor.

No portion of this award may be used for lobbying or propaganda purposes as prohibited by 18 U.S.C. Section 1913 or Section 607(a) of Public Law 96-74.

Project level environmental reviews in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) are required for each project undertaken with Denali Commission funds.

10. Non-Compliance with Award Conditions

Recipients not in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Financial Assistance Award will be notified by the Denali Commission. The Denali Commission will work with the recipient to identify the steps necessary to bring them back into compliance, and will establish an appropriate time frame for the corrections to be made. If the corrections have not been made by the deadline, the Denali Commission reserves the right to either suspend or unilaterally terminate the Financial Assistance Award for non-performance.

11. Program Manager, Financial Manager & Other Contact Information

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